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How 'Poppy Day' Originated Stirring Poem Was the Source

It was not by chance that the poppy was chosen as the Memorial Flower of the American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary—the poppy sprang from the hearts of these two great organizations.

The idea of wearing the poppy in remembrance of all who died in the World War was presented to the American Legion by one who, from all information obtainable, was the first in America to thus wear the poppy—Miss Moira Michael. The greater part of the following was taken from her history of its adoption.

The Poem It was on the morning of November 6, 1918, while she was serving on the staff of the Y. M. C. A. Overseas Headquarters at Hamilton Hall, Columbia University, New York, that a soldier placed in the hands of Miss Moira Michael a copy of the Ladies' Home Journal with Col. John McMea's "We Shall Not Sleep," illustrated, in it:

"In Flanders Fields the poppies blow Between the crosses, row on row, That mark our place, and in the sky The larks, still bravely singing, fly, Scarce heard among the guns below. WE ARE THE DEAD. Short days ago We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow, Loved and were loved, and now lie IN FLANDERS FIELDS. "Take up our quarrel with the foe! To you from falling hands we throw THE TORCH. Be yours to bear it high! If ye break faith with us who die We shall not sleep, though poppies grow IN FLANDERS FIELDS."

The Answer Alone in her office Miss Michael read and reread this beautiful verse which immortalized the poppy, and studied the graphic illustration. She caught the message, and as she had dedicated herself to the service of her country on the night war was declared, she at this time made a second dedication—to keep the Faith and always wear a poppy of remembrance of the sacrifices made by those who fell. She wrote this dedication in verse, considered by many to be the most beautiful answer ever written:

"O you who sleep in Flanders Fields, Sleep sweet, to rise anew, We caught the Torch you threw, And holding high, we keep the Faith With all who die.

"We cherish, too, the poppy red That grows in fields where valor led; It seems a signal to the skies That blood of heroes never dies, But lends a luster to the red Of the flowers that bloom above the dead In Flanders Fields.

"And now the Torch and Poppy red We wear in honor of our Dead, Fear not that ye have died for naught; We've learned the lesson that ye taught In Flanders Fields!"

As she was penning the last line of this dedication, a committee from the 25th Conference of the Y. M. C. A. which was meeting there at that time brought her a check for \$10.00 in appreciation of her efforts to make an attractive Hostess House in their Headquarters. She had before this time furnished the flowers from her own purse. "How strange," she replied, "and I shall buy bright red poppies, Flanders Fields poppies. Do you know why?"—and she showed the men the poem and her answer. They were so impressed that they asked the privilege of

El Prado Street Dance Is Success

The street dance and celebration staged by the merchants of El Prado on Saturday evening was successful.

During the preceding week coupons were given with every purchase from the merchants, which entitled bearers to a share in the prizes which were awarded on Saturday night.

Harry Roberts held an immense glass bowl filled with the coupons, which were drawn by a Torrance boy, Ben Lepkin. There were 14 prizes, one from each merchant.

H. J. Andrews, representing the new Metropolitan Store, was a good clown. An attractive fashion show was put on by this store, with three local models, Mrs. Anna Stadig, Mrs. Bessie Davenport and daughter, Effie Davenport, who displayed many pretty outfits.

A volunteer from the spectators called figures and young and old enjoyed old-fashioned square dances and Virginia reels. The music was furnished by the Torrance Community Band, which received a great deal of applause.

presenting the idea to the 25th Conference, then meeting upstairs. The conference also was impressed, and that afternoon Miss Michael bought silk poppies at the Wanamaker's store, and after the adjournment of the conference the men came downstairs and asked for poppies to wear—the first scene in America of wearing the poppy for all who died.

Then Came Peace The Armistice was signed. Other conferences adopted the poppy. The Gotham Arts Company of New York manufactured buttons and pins with the Torch and the Poppy as emblems of remembrance and tokens of the pledge to keep faith. Memorial poppy gardens were planted—Sandusky, O., had in the spring of 1919 one of the most noted of these gardens.

The first street sale of the poppies in a large city was held in Milwaukee, Wis., June 1919, to raise money for the 32d Division homecoming. The American Legion in Milwaukee sold the poppy to raise money for service work just before Memorial Day, 1920—before the poppy had been adopted as the memorial flower of the Legion.

It was in 1920 that Dr. Pender Jensen of Tacoma, Wash., went back overseas to search for his "buddy's" grave in the cemeteries of France. He was so impressed by the crimson waving masses that upon his return he had his Legion Post adopt the poppy as its memorial flower.

Miss Michael was a year after year increasingly impressed by the need of a token—"Least we forget." Her vision was far-reaching—she realized we could not have beautiful memorials in every corner of the land from whence our heroes came, but the poppy could be worn as a memorial everywhere.

Turns of Data Although not a member of the American Legion, Miss Michael is held in very high regard by the Legion Department of Georgia and has been granted an honorary membership on its Historical Commission because of her services to the organization. Miss Michael wanted the American Legion to be the first national organization to adopt the poppy, and on the eve of the Georgia Department convention of the American Legion held in Savannah, August 18-20, 1920, Miss Michael appeared at the Legion headquarters in Atlanta, Ga., and turned over to the post all her data concerning the poppy and the adoption by the Legion flower. Mr. Charles M. Gallienne, commander of the Atlanta Post No. 1, took charge of the material and presented the movement to the convention. The poppy was adopted and the delegation to the national convention to be held in Cleveland, O., the following month, was instructed to present the resolution at Cleveland and to support it.

The resolution was presented by the Georgia Department at the national convention held in Cleveland September 27-29, 1920, and the poppy was adopted, as the memorial flower of the American Legion—the first adoption by a national organization in America. At its organizing convention in Kansas City, October, 1921, the American Legion Auxiliary adopted the poppy as its memorial flower, and pledged the profits 100 per cent to welfare relief for the service men and women and their families.

The poppy is now the memorial flower of the French, British and Canadian World-War veterans' organizations. The Veterans of Foreign Wars, another patriotic organization of America, adopted the poppy in the spring of 1922. The American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary cannot claim a sole right to the poppy, for the poppy is God's flower and cannot be copyrighted, and has been chosen by other organizations, but the American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary can at large claim to have been the first to adopt this flower.

The poppy has won a place in the hearts of the people all over the world, and every year through the annual sale of the poppy by the American Legion and Auxiliary the opportunity of purchasing the poppy, thus helping those for whom the war is not yet over, and of wearing it in memory of all who died in service.

Missionary Guest at Parsonage Here

Rev. and Mrs. Francis A. Zeller entertained at the parsonage on Saturday John Stauffacher, from Mombasa, British East Africa.

Twenty-one years ago Mr. Stauffacher was the first missionary to the Masai tribe, the most warlike and athletic of Africans, where he has remained since, spending most of his time in the wild animal area and in the heart of the biggest game district of the continent.

In the February issue of the National Geographical Magazine, in an Article "From Cairo to Cape-town," mention was made of Mr. Stauffacher, he having translated the New Testament into the language of the Masai.

Mr. Zeller and Mr. Stauffacher were college classmates at Northwestern College in Illinois. With Mr. Stauffacher were Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Buttach of Chinchow, Hunan, China.

Mr. Stauffacher will spend the first week in June at the Evangelical parsonage, and will speak at the church next Sunday at both the morning and evening services.

Fred Thomson at the Torrance

Filled with the dash and fire which have always featured his acting on the screen, replete with good situations, and packed with material which proves that Silver King is undoubtedly the best equine star on the silver sheet today, "That Devil Quemado," the latest of the pictures starring Fred Thomson, will be seen at the Torrance Theatre on Wednesday and Thursday. Dramatic incident follows dramatic incident with just

the right amount of comedy in this different and delightful western melodrama. Gloria Hope has the outstanding feminine role, which she takes to perfection. This is the first picture which has appeared featuring the popular western star since his lamentable accident several months ago when he broke his leg doing one of his stunts, and a large and devoted public will be glad to see that he is as well as ever, and just as able an athlete and horseman.

SOCIETY NEWS

MRS. J. M. FITZHUGH PLEASANTLY SURPRISED

Mrs. James M. Fitzhugh was pleasantly surprised Friday afternoon upon her arrival at the Palos Verdes Inn to be greeted by the members of the executive board of the Women's Club of Torrance, of which she has been president for the past year.

Mrs. Fitzhugh was taken to the "committee meeting" by Mrs. F. L. Parks.

A beautiful, immense basket of lavender, sweet peas and gypsophylla was the centerpiece on a beautifully decorated table on which was served a delicious four-course dinner.

The inn was decorated in pink and white. The afternoon was spent in playing cards, and at the close of the social hour Mrs. Parks, in behalf of the executive board, presented Mrs. Fitzhugh with the basket of flowers.

The co-workers who honored their president were Mrs. F. L. Parks, Mrs. George Peckham, Mrs. Joseph Stone, Mrs. Charles Curtis, Mrs. P. G. Briney, Mrs. W. H. Gilbert, Mrs. W. J. Neelands, Mrs. J. B. Hines, Mrs. Hurum Reeve, Mrs. A. P. Stevenson, and Mrs. J. H. Milburn.

Friday Is Poppy Day in Torrance

Friday, May 29, is National Poppy Day, and every unit of the American Legion Auxiliary will sell poppies. Red poppies like those which grow in Flanders Fields, "among the crosses, row on row," among the members of the Bert S. Crossland Unit will sell flowers which they have made, to be worn on Memorial Day, when the local American Legion Post will conduct exercises.

The price is 10 cents, but any amount which is given will be gratefully received and used entirely for relief purposes.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore B. Young of 802 Sartori Avenue Sunday entertained Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Dye of Los Angeles and Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Dalley of Bellflower.

They go swell, after the dance—those apert sundae at Hurhey's, The American, Carson St., Torrance.—Adv.

STRAWBERRIES FOR CANNING 10c A BOX

You pick them—boxes free. 2504 Carson St., corner Cedar.

Change Minds and Plead Guilty; Are Fined \$100 Each

John Adamoli and August Rossi, charged with violating the Wright Act, who asked for a jury trial at their hearing last week, changed their minds, appeared before Judge Hunter and pleaded guilty.

They were fined \$100 each, which they paid. The specific charge against the men was having in their possession wine containing more than the legal percentage of alcohol.

Lightweight unbleached muslin is the favorite material for house dresses of one practical housewife. All are made from some simple pattern and have a touch of color, neck, belt, sleeves and pockets. They may be washed and boiled, they are worn out. They will also outwear most gingham and percales. The muslin should be shrunk before cutting.

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NEWS—CHRISTIE COMEDY—FABLES

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Torrance City BOWLING League

Tonight, May 26 "Hardware" Reeve vs. Ed Kelly H. A. Warren vs. Palmer's Service

Wednesday, May 27 First Nationals vs. Beacon Drug Columbia Steel vs. W. A. Renn

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